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Title: IMPLANTABLE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTABLY  
RESTRICTING A BODY LUMEN

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application for review, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

In the first line after the title, please insert the following, -- This application is a

Continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/873,444 filed June 12, 1997. --

now U.S. Pat. No. 6,045,498

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-18 are now pending. Please enter into the record the preliminary amendment described herein prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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